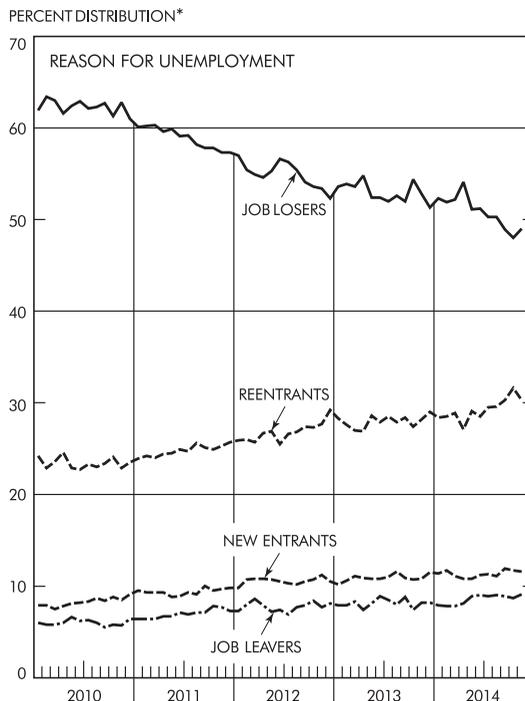
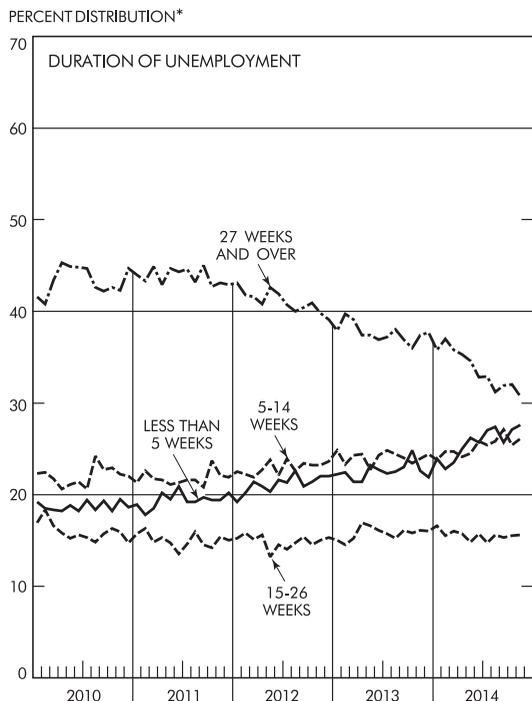


# Selected Measures of Unemployment and Unemployment Insurance Programs

In November, the percentage of the unemployed who had been out of work for 27 weeks and over fell, while the percentages for less than 5 weeks, 5 to 14 weeks, and 15 to 26 weeks rose. The mean duration of unemployment rose to 33.0 weeks and the median duration fell to 12.8 weeks.



\*SEASONALLY ADJUSTED  
SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted by NSA]

Period	Unemployment (thousands)	Duration of unemployment						Reason for unemployment: percent distribution				State programs		Insured unemployment, all programs (NSA) <sup>2</sup>
		Percent distribution				Number of weeks		Job losers	Job leavers	Reentrants	New entrants	Insured unemployment (NSA)	Initial claims (NSA)	
		Less than 5 weeks	5-14 weeks	15-26 weeks	27 weeks and over	Average (mean) <sup>1</sup>	Median							
Weekly average, thousands														
2004 .....	8,149	33.1	29.2	15.9	21.8	19.6	9.8	51.5	10.5	29.5	8.4	2,950	345	3,103
2005 .....	7,591	35.1	30.4	14.9	19.6	18.4	8.9	48.3	11.5	31.4	8.8	2,661	328	2,709
2006 .....	7,001	37.3	30.3	14.7	17.6	16.8	8.3	47.4	11.8	32.0	8.8	2,476	313	2,521
2007 .....	7,078	35.9	31.5	15.0	17.6	16.8	8.5	49.7	11.2	30.3	8.9	2,572	324	2,612
2008 .....	8,924	32.8	31.4	16.0	19.7	17.9	9.4	53.7	10.0	27.7	8.6	3,306	424	3,899
2009 .....	14,265	22.2	26.8	19.5	31.5	24.4	15.1	64.2	6.2	22.3	7.3	5,724	568	9,123
2010 .....	14,825	18.7	22.0	16.0	43.3	33.0	21.4	62.4	6.0	23.4	8.2	4,487	454	9,732
2011 .....	13,747	19.5	21.8	15.0	43.8	39.3	21.4	59.0	7.0	24.7	9.3	3,679	406	7,630
2012 .....	12,506	21.1	22.9	14.9	41.1	39.4	19.3	55.0	7.7	26.7	10.5	3,297	374	6,048
2013 .....	11,460	22.5	24.1	15.8	37.6	36.5	17.0	53.0	8.1	28.0	10.9	2,947	342	4,605
2013: Nov .....	10,841	22.6	23.9	16.1	37.4	37.1	17.0	52.8	8.2	28.2	10.8	2,584	360	3,987
2013: Dec .....	10,351	21.9	24.4	16.0	37.7	37.1	17.1	51.3	8.2	29.0	11.5	3,502	498	5,163
2014: Jan .....	10,236	23.9	23.8	16.6	35.8	35.4	16.0	52.3	7.9	28.4	11.4	3,588	468	3,980
2014: Feb .....	10,459	22.8	24.7	15.5	37.0	37.1	16.4	51.9	7.8	28.5	11.7	3,347	326	3,480
2014: Mar .....	10,486	23.5	24.7	16.0	35.8	35.6	16.3	52.2	7.8	28.9	11.1	3,567	306	3,651
2014: Apr .....	9,753	25.0	24.1	15.7	35.3	35.1	16.0	54.1	8.1	27.1	10.8	2,934	334	3,008
2014: May .....	9,799	26.2	24.5	14.8	34.6	34.5	14.6	51.1	8.9	29.1	10.8	2,517	295	2,573
2014: June .....	9,474	25.7	25.8	15.7	32.8	33.5	13.1	51.2	9.0	28.5	11.2	2,738	329	2,793
2014: July .....	9,671	27.0	25.4	14.7	32.9	32.4	13.3	50.3	8.9	29.5	11.3	2,673	329	2,729
2014: Aug .....	9,591	27.4	25.8	15.6	31.2	31.7	13.2	50.3	9.0	29.6	11.1	2,545	266	2,603
2014: Sept .....	9,262	25.7	27.1	15.3	31.9	31.5	13.3	48.9	8.9	30.3	11.9	2,328	259	2,376
2014: Oct .....	8,995	27.1	25.4	15.5	32.0	32.7	13.7	48.0	8.7	31.6	11.7	2,129	297	2,176
2014: Nov .....	9,110	27.6	26.1	15.6	30.7	33.0	12.8	49.0	9.1	30.3	11.6			

<sup>1</sup> Beginning January 2011, includes unemployment durations of up to 5 years; prior data are for up to 2 years.

<sup>2</sup> Includes State (50 States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands), Federal (UCFE), ex-service members (UCX), and Federal and State extended benefit programs. Also includes Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation (2002-2004), Emergency Unemployment Compensation (2008-2013), and Federal Additional Compensation (2009-2010).

Note: Data relate to persons age 16 years and over (except for insured unemployment and initial claims).

Source: Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics and Employment and Training Administration).